

LOCAL NEWS.

REAL ESTATE ON THE POTOMAC.—We have often thought that there was no more desirable location for agricultural pursuits than along the banks of our noble river, the Potomac. Certainly nowhere is the climate and soil more kindly than there, or accessibility to market greater. Lands on the banks of the river are of a quality on which can be raised, not only the staple crops of this section, but the most luscious fruit and early vegetables of all kinds. Farmers, without paying any attention to the culture of grass or hay, raise, on the native grass of the worn-out fields, cattle of the common stock, which sell for good prices in the cities. We are glad therefore to see by the following extract from the Maryland Farmer for March, that attention is being attracted to the land in Virginia on the opposite side of the river.—*Port Tobacco Times.*

"During the last month or two real estate transactions on the Potomac, have been rather lively—in this respect all is not 'quiet on the Potomac'."

"A short time before the holidays, W. W. Wright, esq., a gentleman from N. Y., of culture and wealth, bought a fine farm of about 600 acres for \$15,000, at Mount Vernon, in Virginia, half a dozen miles below Mount Vernon, adjoining the notable farm of Col. E. Daniels, who, in the spring he will put up fine buildings and introduce improved stock, in horses, cattle and sheep, and other improvements."

"Still later, W. H. Chase, esq., has bought a small farm of Col. Daniels, at \$50 per acre, on which he has commenced to make fine improvements."

"The e are all hand some locations and good quality of lands. Much of the lands in this section, however, have been worn and 'run down.'"

"But they can be easily recuperated and rendered highly productive by underdraining, deep plowing, and liberal growing and plowing in of clover. The deep plowing will break up the hard pan caused by the successive shallow plowing of four or five inches for so many years, and allow moisture to run down in time of a drought, while the clover will add humus and organic matter to the soil, making it fertile."

WEATHER PROGNOSTICATIONS.—This day, Addo Domini, March 15th, 1875, terminates the traditional "six weeks' probation of ye ancient Ground Hog. To-morrow morning, according to programme, he will emerge from his subterranean hiding place, shake the accumulated dust from his bristling mane, and winking a few salutatory winks to the gorgeous orb of day, set out at once, without further let or hindrance on that long uninterrupted pilgrimage whither no "feilab" knows and no "feilab" can tell. It is presumed, however, that he will steadily pursue the beaten path of all his sagacious ancestors, and never once have cause to repent of a premature evacuation of his winter quarters. We sincerely trust that after having waited so long to begin his peripatetications he may find his way unobstructed by frost or snow; that he may back in plenty of genial sunshine, and right soon be continuously regaled by the "singling of birds and the voice of the turtle heard in the land." In this connection it may not be amiss to mention that that other no less time-honored, and no less accredited prognostication of the weather, the "Frog" awoke for the first time from his winter slumber on the 24th of February and sounded the first advance notes of his prospective Spring time serenades, but was soon driven back by "stress of weather" to his cozy den, whence irrepressible and untroubled, he again emerged on the 8th of the present month, and resumed, with bolder and more confident voice, his little jubilee. On the evening of the 10th Jack Frost again drove him back to his refuge, but the very next day he was again on the ramp and has continued out to this time, and according to the tradition of the learned in such matters, he will, from now henceforth, having emerged the third time from his lair, after twice retreating, on account of stress of weather, be permitted to pursue ad libitum the course of his inharmonious, but ever welcome, nocturnal warblings. We are not of the number who put much faith in signs; however we are inclined, just for this once, to take these two oracles on trial and test their prescience of weather matters, but shall hold them to a strict accountability for any failure of their "Old Probabilities."

RELIGIOUS SERVICES YESTERDAY.—The weather yesterday though cloudy, was not disagreeable, and large congregations assembled in all the churches. Rev. Father Fitzpatrick preached in St. Mary's Church in the morning, Rev. Mr. Nice in the M. E. Church at night, and Rev. M. E. Thompson in the M. P. Church, morning and night. With these exceptions the pulpits were filled by the pastors in charge of the respective churches. The following is a report of the work done during the day by the Young Men's Christian Association:

"The Alms House meeting was largely attended both by committee and congregation; the services were of exceeding interest. This work, as reported by the zealous laborers in this field, is steadily accomplishing the spiritual advancement of the neighborhood."

"The Jail Mission was worked by a full committee, who report the usual work, and more interest on the part of the inmates."

"The 4 o'clock prayer meeting in the Methodist Episcopal Church was one of the largest and most interesting ever held by the Association. A large number of the youth of both sexes were present, and gave marked attention to the thoroughly impassioned remarks of the speakers; and the prayers offered were truly earnest in appeal for revival in our midst." (This meeting will be held next Sunday in the Union Presbyterian Church.)

MT. VERNON.—Some of the Richmond papers are strenuously urging interference on the part of the Legislature to prevent the further exercise of the monopoly enjoyed by the steamer Arrow in landing passengers at the wharf at Mt. Vernon, and contended that it would be to the advantage of the Mt. Vernon Association, the State and the public were such a monopoly broken up; but the Enquirer, which was severe in its issue of yesterday says: "From information of the most unquestioned character we have no hesitation in saying that any article concerning the Mt. Vernon Association was based upon an entire misapprehension of the facts. We thought our informant in all respects trustworthy, but find that the case was wrongly presented to us. Facts have now come into our possession which put an entirely different face upon the whole matter."

BLUFF POINT.—The recent break up of the ice in the Potomac did considerable damage on the lower portion of the river. Plowden's wharf, the well known landing for the steamers plying between Washington and Baltimore, was a victim of the greater portion being torn away, as heretofore stated in the Gazette. The Washington Republican of this morning says: "It is supposed to change the landing to Bluff Point, a few rods distant, where the store that was at Plowden's, under the charge of Colonel Freeman and his son Ernest, will be removed. Bluff Point is the property of Mr. Edward Wheeler, Dr. V. Shinn and George Miller, who intend to make it a resort for the summer months, and a regular landing for the Baltimore steamers. An effort is being made to have a postoffice established at the Point."

THE LADIES' UNION RELIEF.—Of the various charitable institutions of which Alexandria can boast, we doubt if there is one that has accomplished more real good than the "Ladies' Union Relief Society." Unostentatiously pursuing their "labor of love," the ladies of the society, through the long and severe winter that has just passed, have gone about seeking out the deserving destitute and administering to their wants; comforting the afflicted and nursing the sick, and doing all in their power—aided by a generous public, to alleviate the suffering, and supply the necessities of life to the poor. Their successful efforts deserve the highest commendation, and while their reward is sure in a world where suffering and sorrow are unknown, they certainly should have the hearty thanks of the community. In bringing their work for the winter to a close, the Board of Managers of the society publish a card in today's Gazette, to which attention is directed.

PORTNER'S BREWERY.—There is no place in the city that exhibits more evidences of thrift and prosperity than Portner's brewery, at the north end of St. Asaph street. From an extremely small beginning, a few years ago, it has grown year by year until now it is probably the largest—certainly the best managed—establishment of the sort south of the Potomac. The shipments of its product to Washington are so large that its proprietor has purchased two railroad cars and fitted them up expressly for that purpose. The brewery and its appurtenances now occupy a large piece of ground, which, as soon as the spring fairly opens, will be still further extended by the erection at the intersection of Wythe and Washington streets of a large brick building, to be used as a restaurant, and by the building of a delivery house, also of brick, at the intersection of Wythe and St. Asaph streets.

POLICE REPORT.—The following cases have been reported at police headquarters since Saturday afternoon.

Joe Vincent and Henry Clay, colored members of the chain gang, having served out their terms of service were discharged.

William McVeigle, a tramp, for disorderly conduct, was sent out of the city.

John Polk, alias Nathan Dudley, colored, for using indecent language to a little girl, was fined \$5.

The above cases were before the Mayor.

Emma Dan for abusing Sarah Turrell, was before Justice Padgett, and was discharged upon the payment of costs and giving security for further good behavior.

Seven lodgers were accommodated at the station house last night.

PRAYER GRANTED.—Frederick Mongoli, a native of Nassau, Germany, but for a long time past a resident of this city, and during the war a gallant member of the 17th Virginia Infantry, U. S. A., died yesterday afternoon, after a short illness. His wife died about two weeks ago, and at her grave he prayed that the Lord might speedily take him also. His funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon from the house of Mr. G. Krieg, opposite the market house on Royal street, and will be attended by the German Benevolent Society, of which he was a member, and also by his old companions in arms.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY.—Wednesday next will be St. Patrick's Day. It will be celebrated in this city by an address upon the life and character of Ireland's patron saint, in St. Mary's Church at half-past seven o'clock, by Rev. Father Fitzpatrick, of Gonzaga College, Washington, at which the Catholic Benevolent Society and the Knights of St. Patrick, in regalia, will be present, and after which the last named order will give a banquet in the hall in Harlow's building.

UPPER CEDAR POINT LIGHT.—It is understood that the Light House Board contemplate moving the light house from Upper Cedar Point to Port Tobacco Shoals. Such a change it is said would be unsatisfactory to all navigators of the Potomac. They desire that the present light at Upper Cedar Point be allowed to remain where it is, and that an additional light be placed upon Mathias' Point.—*Port Tobacco Times.*

LAWYERS.—The following acts of the Legislature have received the approval of the Governor and become laws: For the relief of Henry A. Crump, of Alexandria; to incorporate the town of Waterford, in Loudoun county; to incorporate the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Good Templars of the State of Virginia; and to amend section 36, chapter 172 of the Code, in relation to notices for taking depositions.

WILD DUCKS.—Large numbers of wild ducks were killed yesterday and the day before on the river near this city and in Hunting Creek. They were mostly red necks and shufflers. But few canvas backs are now killed, nor are they sought after with much avidity as formerly, for instead of \$2.50 and sometimes even as much as \$5 a pair, the price they used to bring, they now meet with a dull sale at as low a price as \$1 a pair.

SOLDIERS' CEMETERY.—The U. S. Government are dissatisfied with their title—a conveyance for ninety-nine years—to the Soldiers' Cemetery, near this city, and wish to make it one of fee simple. For this purpose an agent was here on Saturday last, but as the property is in Fairfax county, the city has nothing to do with it. It is understood the matter will be brought before the Council at its next meeting.

THE FISHERY.—But three arrivals of fresh fish since Saturday last were reported at Fish-town this morning—582 bunches from The Guns, 255 from Deep Hole, and 300 from Plum Tree. Among them, were a few bunches of herring. They sold at from 15 to 40 cents a bunch, cutfish bringing the former and rock the latter price.

FUEL THIEVES.—Persons who go to the trouble and expense of improving the streets in their respective neighborhoods with coke, think it right that the Corporation, which should do the work, woud even protect those improvements from the raids made upon them by colored people, who dig them up and carry them away for fuel.

THE LECTURE OF Prof. Tripp. at Peabody Hall, on Saturday night, on the cause of the Franco-Prussian war, was listened to with great satisfaction by an appreciative audience. Prof. T.'s lectures are of a most entertaining character and very instructive.

THE NUN FLOWER.—In a beautiful bouquet sent from abroad to a lady in this city yesterday were two Nun Flowers—perfect specimens of a rare floral tribe, and presenting an exact and striking representation of a classic female face partially concealed by the headress of a nun.

FALLS CHURCH ITEMS.—Land still sells in this section of country, and the prospects are that during the coming summer the increase in value will be greater than has ever been known.

A tract belonging to Mr. Williston Clover, containing twenty-one or two acres, with comfortable improvements, was sold to Mr. Caleb Clark, from New York State, for the sum of \$10,600.

Some fifteen dwelling houses have been erected in our village during the past year, and we anticipate that twice or three times that number will be built within the next twelve months.

Fruit of all kinds bids fair to yield in abundance this season.

THE LAST OF FIRE.—Between seven and eight o'clock last night, which brought out the fire department, was caused by the explosion of an oil lamp in the house of Mr. William Hammeinger, on Prince, between Payne and Fayette streets.

BY TELEGRAPH.

Rencontre.

RICHMOND, March 15.—1:15 p. m.—A personal rencontre took place this morning between Mr. James Cowardin, editor of the Dispatch and Mr. A. Fulkerson, member of the House of Delegates from Washington county. It appears that Mr. Cowardin, who, in company with two gentlemen was walking along Main street near the postoffice, was accosted by Mr. Fulkerson, with the remark: "This is Mr. Cowardin I believe," when Mr. C. immediately answered, "Yes, sir, and you are the sounder Fulkerson; I know you." At this remark Mr. Fulkerson either struck at, or drew back to strike Mr. C. with a cane, when the latter closed with Fulkerson and seized him by the throat. A short scuffle ensued, when friends interferred and separated them. The difficulty originated in remarks made by Mr. Fulkerson, in the House of Delegates, sometime since, in regard to the editorial columns of the Dispatch, to which Mr. Cowardin made some severe personal rejoinders. Much contempt is expressed at Mr. Fulkerson's conduct as he is a young and robust man, and Mr. Cowardin is over sixty years of age, and was entirely unprepared either with cane or weapons for the assault.

Iron and Steel Association.

PHILADELPHIA, March 15.—A large meeting of the executive committee of the American Iron and Steel Association was held this morning. The chairman stated that he had been requested to take some action in regard to the bill which is reported to have been introduced in the Lower House of the Legislature. The bill having been discussed the chairman submitted a communication on the subject from the counsel of the association, which being received, was approved. The counsel states that he has examined a copy of the bill entitled an act for the adjustment and settlement of disputes between persons, partnerships, associations and corporations engaged in the mining of coal or the manufacture or production of iron or steel and their employees, &c., and then gives his expressions concerning it. He says it is unconstitutional, establishing, as it does, an industrial tribunal which exercises judicial functions. The bill is criticized as an infamous scheme of legislation.

The British Mission.

NEW YORK, March 15.—The Tribune's Washington special says: There seems to be more foundation for reports regarding the transfer of Attorney General Williams to the English Mission than that officer has been willing to acknowledge. What has given a color to the report is the fact that some of the Senators have been approached in a semi-official manner and sounded as to the chances of Mr. Williams' confirmation by the Senate for the English Mission. The dispatch also alludes to the possibility of Mr. Fish taking the British Mission, and says should he conclude to go to England, or should a vacancy occur in the State Department from any cause, it is known that Mr. Fish's position will be tendered to either Judge Pierpont, of New York, or President Andrew D. White, of Cornell University.

The North Carolina Railroad. RICHMOND, March 15.—In consequence of the recent decision of the Supreme Court of North Carolina, giving validity to the lease of the North Carolina railroad to the Richmond and Danville Railroad Company, the latter company have been actively at work night and day changing the gauge of the road between Greensboro and Charlotte, N. C., which will be completed by to-morrow, when trains will be run through by the air line from Atlanta to Richmond without change of cars.

Obituary.

PHILADELPHIA, March 15.—Major John R. Breitenbach, an old and respected citizen of Norristown, died on Saturday last after an illness of several months. Deceased was admitted to the Norristown bar February 21, 1843, where he practiced continuously until the war when he went to the field with a company of soldiers. He was subsequently promoted from Captain to Major, and part of the time was in command of his regiment. He returned home and was soon after appointed United States Revenue Collector.

Railroad War.

PHILADELPHIA, March 15.—There is no prospect of a cessation of hostilities between the Pennsylvania and Baltimore and Ohio railroad Companies, the contest on the part of the former being carried on vigorously, and determinedly. Meanwhile the scalpers are said to do a thriving business, dispensing tickets purchased by them at reduced rates. At Harrisburg passengers from the west can obtain a ticket to New York for \$5.00, saving sixty cents.

Struck Oil.

ERIE, PA., March 15.—A special dispatch says that oil was struck at a depth of six hundred and fifty four feet on a farm at Warren, Pa., on Saturday last. The gas forced the petroleum above the top of the derrick but the capacity of the well is not yet determined. This "strike" develops an entire new belt of oil territory.

Reduction in Freights.

PHILADELPHIA, March 15.—The general freight agent of the Pennsylvania railroad has published a notice to coal shippers, stating that a reduction of 25 cents per 2,000 pounds will be made in the rate on semi-bituminous coal transferred at the Greenwhich wharves to sea-going vessels destined to New York or south of the capes.

Disappearance of the Ice.

PHILADELPHIA, March 15.—The ice in the Delaware is rapidly disappearing. It is weak, and honey-combed; some of it is carried off by the current, but in general the cakes sink beneath the surface of the water and speedily dissolve. The gorge in the Schuylkill will soon be a thing of the past.

Reported Shooting of Young Men.

NEW YORK, March 15.—The Sun says a letter received by a Spanish house in this city says twenty-two young men of Cuban birth, resident of Cienfuegos, Cuba, were arrested at their homes in that city, by the Volunteers and shot outside the walls without a trial.

The Centennial.

LONDON, March 10.—A special dispatch from Berlin to the London Hour says the papers there publish articles notifying persons who intend to send articles to the Philadelphia Centennial Exhibition that if it should prove bankrupt their goods will be liable to seizure.

The Port Jervis Ice George.

PORT JERVIS, March 15.—That their will be a flood, few doubt, and there are many who wish that it would come, do its work and be done with forever. The amount of property endangered is estimated at between \$2,000,000 and \$3,000,000.

Weather Probabilities.

WASHINGTON, March 15, 11 a. m. For the Middle States, falling barometer, southeast to northeast winds, warm, cloudy weather and very heavy rains.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

Mr. John Johnson, well-known to all the old residents of the city, and for a long time connected with the street cleaning department, died this morning. He was in the ninety-fourth year of his age. He was an active soldier in the war of 1812, being a member of one of the companies formed at Fairfax Court House, and slept in the Capitol the night before it was burnt.

Some colored boys and men went to Battery Rodgers yesterday afternoon for the purpose of attacking with stones and having a stone battle with some white boys who were playing about there, but were prevented from putting that design into execution by a party of the residents of the 1st Ward who happened to be on the spot.

In the Court of Appeals, sitting in Richmond, on Friday, the case of McVeigh vs. Bank of Old Dominion was further argued by James Alfred Jones and John Howard, esq., for the plaintiff in error, and by H. O. Claughton, esq., of Alexandria, for the defendant in error.

There was quite a current in the river this morning, and with it a considerable quantity of driftwood, which the longshoremen were busily engaged in collecting. The apprehensions of a rise in the river at Georgetown, yesterday, were so great as to be the occasion of some excitement along the wharves there.

The contracts for supplying the Poor's House with provisions, proposals for which were advertised for in the Gazette by Mr. W. A. Moore, Chairman of the City Council Committee on Poor, have been awarded to the Messrs. Harlow and Messrs. Watkins, to the former for the groceries and to the latter for the meal.

The steamer City of Washington was the only boat running on the Washington ferry today, the City of Alexandria having been temporarily withdrawn to repair damages sustained by running through the ice during the late freeze.

A heavy fog prevailed on the river to-day, necessitating a continuous blowing of fog horns and whistles and ringing of fog bells to prevent collisions among the steamboats and vessels that were moving about.

The remains of the late Mr. Jas. M. Gibson, who married Miss Gertrude Hunter, of this city, were brought from Washington yesterday and interred here.

A little girl, daughter of Mr. George Phillips, was attacked by a vicious dog, belonging to Mrs. McDermott, last Saturday and bitten severely on the legs.

The water was drawn off the canal basin this morning, and from the Cumberland line of the Chesapeake and Ohio canal last Saturday.

The weather to-day has been that of April—warm, cloudy, glimpses of sunshine, and occasional showers of rain.

Bishop Johns will make a visitation to Warren and administer the rite of confirmation in St. James' Church on the 24th inst.

The hen house of Mr. Anthony Frazier, of the county, was robbed on Saturday night last of nearly everything it contained.

The Markets.

NEW YORK, March 15.—Stocks dull. Money 3/16. Flour quiet and very firm. Wheat a shade firmer. Corn advancing.

BALTIMORE, March 15.—Virginia 6s, peelers, 35. Virginia, consolidated, 54. West Virginia 10. Cotton quiet and a shade lower; low middlings 15 1/2. Flour quiet, but steady; Howard street and Western Super 4 25a 50c; do. Extra 4 75a 85c; do. Family 5 37a 50c; do. City Super 4 34 25; do. Extra 4 75a 85c; do. Rio brands 5 25; do. Family 5 37a 50c. Wheat firmer and nominally higher; No. 1 Western amber 127; No. 2 do. 123; mixed do. 121; No. 1 Western red 125; No. 2 do. 124 1/2; Pennsylvania red 119 1/2; Maryland red 114 1/2; do. amber 120; do. white 116 1/2; No. 2 Western Spring red 108. Corn buoyant and stronger; Southern white 82a 83; Southern yellow 81a 83; Western mixed 83a 84. Oats quiet and steady; Southern 67 1/2; Western white 66 1/2; Western mixed 66a 66. Rye dull at 100a 102. Hay dull; Pennsylvania and Maryland 18a 22. Provisions strong and higher. Butter lower and fairly active; good to extra fine Western tubs and rolls 20a 26. Coffee quiet; ordinary to prime Rio cargoes 16a 18. Whiskey—small sales at \$1.14; held at \$1.15.

PHILADELPHIA CATTLE MARKET, March 15. The cattle market is moderately active this week, and prices were steady; 2000 head sold at 7 1/2c for extra Pennsylvania and Western Steers; 16c for fair to good do., and 5a 6c per lb gross for common, as to quality. Sheep were in fair demand; 10,000 head sold at 5a 7c per lb gross, as to condition. Hogs were firmly held; 1500 head sold at 11a 12c per 100 lbs net.

Stop that coughing, if you do not it may kill you. A bottle of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup only costs you 25 cents, and its timely use may save your life.

Travellers should not put up with the badly washed collars that are sent to them by hotel landladies, but wear the Elmwood, which always looks well.

NOTICE.—Lady Florence, Clairvoyant, desires to notify the public that she has successfully recovered to see all who wish to consult her at 64 Duke street. Fee \$1.00. mar 10-1w*

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SYRUP! SYRUPS!—Silver Drips, and Merchants' and Knights' Syrups, just received and for sale at low prices by W. A. JOHNSON, Corner Pitt and Queen streets. mh 9

FISH—Smoked Blosters, Cod Fish, Labrador Herrings, and Nos. 1, 2 and 3 Mackerel, received and for sale by DAVY & HARMON. jan 21

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